

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2013  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Trustee Richard Rimbo called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lemont Fire Protection District to order on February 21, 2013, at 7:00 PM. The meeting was conducted at 15900 New Avenue, Lemont, Illinois.

Trustee Richard Rimbo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** On call of roll Trustees Richard Rimbo, Glenn Bergmark, Victoria Cobbett, and Keith Latz. Trustee Michael Kasperski was absent.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Deputy Chief Jay Nickleski, Attorney Tom Gilbert and Recording Secretary Carla Clark.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to approve, under consent agenda, the January 12, 2013, special meeting minutes, January 12, 2013, closed session minutes, January 17, 2013, regular meeting minutes and January 17, 2013, closed session minutes and to table the minutes of February 13, 2013, special meeting minutes until March, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$655,969.98. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Recording Secretary Clark reviewed a handout from Mr. Anderson regarding the various refinancing options for the 2004 Series Bond. A discussion took place. The Board, by mutual consent, directed Recording Secretary Clark to proceed with the paperwork needed to approve the refinancing at the March regular meeting.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD:** Trustee Rimbo congratulated Trustee Kasperski on celebrating his 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today. Trustee Cobbett commented on Chief Churulo, D/C Nickleski, B/C Rimbo and B/C Slivinski's presentation at this year's NIAFPD conference, she stated that it was very informative, professionally presented and that they did a great job.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** Deputy Chief Nickleski updated the Board on the various meetings he attended since last meeting. He stated that our January call volume for 2013 increased by 13.2% over January 2012. He stated that he is currently working on revisions to the daily operations manual. He also stated that he has been working with Sleuth on finalizing the CAD software for installation.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** None

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** Deputy Chief Nickleski presented a 2012 annual review of the Lemont Fire Protection District. He reviewed the following areas of operation; personnel staffing, emergency medical services, training and safety, the communication center, our fleet maintenance division, fire prevention bureau and public education. He reviewed our 2012 response summary by total runs for the year, run type by percentages, and run totals by stations. He commented that Station 1 is still our busiest station followed by Station 4. He stated that Station 2 and Station 3 were equal in their run totals.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the front and rear suspension work on Truck 949, performed by Joliet Suspension at a cost of \$5,579.28, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to approve the purchase of a 2013 Ford Focus Sedan (S) 4-door from Currie Motors at the State contract price of \$13,398.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that this vehicle will replace our 2002 Chevy Impala. This new staff vehicle will be used by the EMS Director and his vehicle will go to the Fire Marshal. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Battalion Chief Rimbo informed the Board that we will receive \$14,400.00 in grant monies from IPRF as part of their Safety & Educational grant program. He is looking to get an approval to spend some of those funds this evening on an upgrade to our wireless network, table and chairs for our training room and a monitor for the dispatch center. A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to approve the purchase of new wireless equipment from CDW at a cost of \$4,773.72, the purchase of table and chairs from Inkwell at a cost of \$6,152.36 and the purchase of a monitor from Tiger Direct at a cost of \$333.03, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Recording Secretary Clark informed the Board that the Fire District has saved a total of \$17,689.98 (30.12%) in electricity cost since making the switch from Mid-American to Hudson on January 1, 2012. She stated that our contract with Hudson Energy expires on December 31, 2013. She stated that she met with our electric supplier representative to discuss our options for January 1, 2014. By making a decision now, while the electric rates are low, the District can lock into the low rates for a 24 month period. She is recommending that we switch to Direct Energy for 2014 and 2015. At the new rates we can save an additional \$3,120.24. This savings is reflective of Station 1, however all the Stations will reflect a savings as well. A motion was made by Trustee Latz to approve switching from Hudson Energy to Direct Energy beginning January 1, 2014 for a 24 month period, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**CLOSED SESSION:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Richard Rimbo, President

**ATTEST:**

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Victoria Cobbett, Secretary